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Applicant: Trotter et al.  
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Title: METHOD FOR OUTPUT EDGE - BALANCING IN PULSE WIDTH MODULATION SYSTEMS AND DATA CONVERTERS USING THE SAME  
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## AMENDMENT RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Official Action mailed January 24, 2005, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments thereto, and the comments set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on Page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/ Arguments begin on Page 10 of this paper.

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Independent Claim 9 has been amended to include the subject matter of former objected – to Claim 13 and intervening Claim 11. Claims 11 and 13 have been cancelled.

Objected – to Claims 14 and 15 have been placed into proper independent form by inclusion of the subject matter of former (un – amended) independent Claim 9 and intervening Claim 11.

Independent Claim 17, and hence Claims 18 – 21, have been amended to include the subject matter of former Claims 11 and 13.

Remaining Claims 1, 3, 5 – 10, 12, and 15 – 21 should now be in condition for allowance.

No new matter has been added; the claims have been merely amended to more particularly claim the subject matter Applicants believe is inventive. Applicants respectfully submit that the Claims as they now stand are patentably distinct over the art cited during the prosecution thereof.

With the addition of no new claims, no additional filing fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 20-0821 of Thompson & Knight LLP.

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If the Examiner has any questions or comments concerning this paper or the present application in general, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (214) 969 - 1749.

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1) (Column 2)

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

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